GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Revenue Department - Allegation of corruption of demand and acceptance of bribe against Sri V.Surender Reddy, formerly Senior Assistant, Office of the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District – Trapped by the Anti-Corruption Bureau Officials on 04-12-2009 – Sanction of Prosecution – Orders – Issued.

G.O.Ms.No. 1223 Dated:20-09-2010.

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ORDER:

- 1. Whereas, Sri V.Surender Reddy, S/o.Late V.V.Narasimha Reddy, worked as Senior Assistant, Office of the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District from 09-07-2009 to 04-12-2009 and by virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of "Public Servant" as defined under clause (c) of section 2 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988);
- And whereas, it is alleged that Sri S.Narayan Reddy, S/o. Sri Malla 2. Reddy, age:31 years, Occupation: Agriculture is a resident of Amadapur Village, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District. He purchased 1-20 acres of Agriculture Land at his village during the year 2007 and got it registered on his name in two documents vide Doc.No.3516/2007 to an extent of 0-20 acres Doc.No.11003/2007 to an extent of 1-00 acre of land. During the month of December, 2008 Sri S.Narayan Reddy submitted a petition by enclosing the concerned documents through e-seva to the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District requesting to effect the mutation of said land on his name in Revenue Records. On the notice issued by the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal, the venders raised some objection for mutation of the lands on the name of Sri S.Narayan Reddy. Subsequently, during the month of November, 2009 the vendors submitted a petition to the Tahsildar Moinabad Mandal, by giving their consent for mutation of said land on the name of Sri S.Narayan Reddy. On 24-11-2009 Sri S.Naravan Reddy went to the Office of the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal and met the concerned Senior Assistant Sri V.Surender Reddy and enquired about his mutation Upon which Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant stated that he will give the proceedings for mutation of land by getting the signature of the Tahsildar, if he paid Rs.10,000/- as bribe. Sri S.Narayan Reddy pleaded his inability to pay such amount as bribe, but the Senior Assistant Sri V.Surender Reddy did not headed to Again on 30-11-2009 Sri S.Naravan Reddy went to the Office of the Tahsildar and met Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant, and requested to issue the proceedings for mutation of land on his name. The Senior Assistant Sri V.Surender Reddy again reiterated his earlier demand of Rs.10,000/- for attending the said work. When Sri S.Narayan Reddy pleaded again his inability to pay such amount as bribe, the Senior Assistant Sri V.Surender Reddy scaled down his demand of bribe to Rs.5,000/-. As there is no other go, Sri S.Narayan Reddy agreed to pay Rs.5,000/- as bribe to Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant and returned back by saying that he will meet within 3-4 days by arranging the amount. On that day Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant handed over one proceeding for mutation of land to an extent of 0-20 acres on the name of Sri S.Narayan Reddy and stated that the other proceeding for mutation of land to an extend 1-00 acre will be handed over after payment of the demanded bribe amount of Rs.5,000/-;
- 3. And whereas, Sri S.Narayan Reddy was not willing to pay the bribe amount to Sri V. Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant, but if he did not pay the demanded bribe amount of Rs.5,000/-, Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant will not issue

the other proceeding for mutation of land to an extent of 1-00 acre on his name. Hence, Sri S.Narayan Reddy lodged the petition with the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad Range, Hyderabad on 02-12-2009 at 15:30 hours and requested to take necessary legal action against Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant, Office of the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District. After verifying the facts of the complaint, as well as reputation of Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant, etc., the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad Range, Hyderabad has registered a case in Cr.No.22/ACB-HR/2009 under section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988) on 04-12-2009 at 08:15 hours;

- And whereas, on 04-12-2009 i.e., on the date of trap, at 12:00 hours, when Sri S.Narayan Reddy entered into the Office of the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal and went to the seat of Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant, situated in the room of the Deputy Tahsildar and Sri V.Surender Reddy was found available on his seat and the Deputy Tahsildar was not available in the room. On seeing him, Sri V.Surender Reddy welcomed him and enquired whether the demanded bribe amount is brought. On his affirmative reply, Sri V.Surender Reddy got up from his seat and took Sri S.Narayan Reddy back to the open yard available to back of the Office and both Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant and Sri S.Narayan Reddy went to underneath a tree available on back side open yard, then Sri V.Surender Reddy demanded Sri S.Narayan Reddy to pay the bribe amount of Rs.5,000/-. Accordingly, Sri S.Narayan Reddy took out the wad of currency notes from his left front shirt pocket and offered the same to Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant, who accepted the same with his right hand and kept them in his left front shirt pocket. Sri V. Surender Reddy then assured Sri S.Narayan Reddy that he will see that the favourable orders will be issued for his mutation of the land and assured that the proceedings of the Tahsildar in this regard will be handed over to him in two or three days;
- 5. And whereas, the phenolphthalein test conducted over the right hand fingers of Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant yielded positive result. The tainted currency of Rs.5,000/- was recovered at the instance and from the possession of Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant on his production from his wearing left front shirt pocket. The inner flap of left front shirt pocket of Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant which came into contacts with the tainted currency, when subjected to phenolphthalein test also yielded positive result. The tainted currency notes of Rs.5,000/- were seized after due verification and comparing with the note numbers already mentioned in the pre-trap proceedings which were found tallied by the mediators, and the material objects along with the documents pertaining to Sri S.Narayan Reddy was seized under cover post-trap proceedings;
- 6. And whereas, the above said acts of Sri V.Surender Reddy Senior Assistant, Office of the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District constitute offences punishable under section 7 and sub-section (2) of section 13 read-with clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988);
- 7. And whereas, the Government of Andhra Pradesh, being the competent authority to remove Sri V.Surender Reddy from Government service, after fully and carefully examination the material i.e., copies of First Information Report, Pre-trap & Post trap proceedings i.e., Mediators' Reports I & II, and other relevant material placed before them and having applied their mind to the facts and circumstances of the case, consider that the said Sri V. Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant, Office of the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District should be prosecuted in a Court of Law for the aforesaid offences;

8. Now therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (b) of subsection (1) of section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988), the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby accord sanction for the prosecution of the said Sri V.Surender Reddy, Senior Assistant, Office of the Tahsildar, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District for the above said offences punishable under section 7 and sub-section (2) of section 13 read-with clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognate offences punishable under any other provisions of Law, for the time being in force, in respect of the afore-said acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRAPRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER